## ROMANCE IN REAL LIFE.

The Ceionial Bank Forgerice—Life and History of Henry Law, the Forger—His Operations in Wall Street—His Flight to Europe, and Travels in Spain, Turkey and Egypt—The Turkish For-gerice—An American Woman Arrested at Con-stantinople—Law Visits Her in Prison—Inge-nuity of New York Detectives—Important De-velopments—Arrests on Suspicion—Interesting Confessions and Disclosures.

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Our readers may recollect the excitement that prevalled in Wall street last winter in consequence of some heavy forgeries upon the Colonial Bank of Barbadoes, W. I., by a German named Henry Iaw. The author of the forgeries, it will be remembered, made his escape from New York, taking with him over \$70,000, the proceeds of the swindling operation. Since then additional and interesting developments concerning the forgeries, the flight persuit and final escape of Law, have come to our knowledge. The career of the criminal, from the time
of his earliest youth up to the present day,
is replete with remance, surpassing tales of fiction even
in point of intrigue, plot, cunning and general interest. re entering into the flight of Lawand his pursuit by the police, it will be well, perhaps, to refresh th of our readers by recapitulating some of the facts pre-viously published in the HERALD of the 18th of February

LAW S EARLY HISTORY.

Of his early history but little is known. He was a na tive of Lubec, and emigrated with his wife and family to the East Indies some twenty years ago. There he became engaged in mercantile pursuits, and, it is said, amassed a large fortune, but lost it again in some unlacky specula-tion. While sojourning at Calcutta his children sickened and died, so that when he returned to Europe he was idless. A long residence in England enable i him to come thoroughly conversant with the language and customs of the people. By birth and education a gentleman he found no difficulty in mixing in the very best society in David States he had letters of introduction from the liest families in the country. Law arrived in New York in the apring of 1856. His wife, a handsome and accomplished lady, accompanied him on the journey. Several months passed by before he entered into any mercantile pursuit.
At length, however, he hired an office at No. 100 Front street, and became the agent of a well known wine house for whom we understand he had power of attorney.

DOES BUSINESS IN BEAVER STREET. On the 1st of May, 1858, Law removed his office to No. 34 Beaver street, where the scheme to defraud the Colonisi Bank was first concocted. A broker, whose name it is not necessary to mention, extensively engaged in the West India business, occupied a desk in Law's office. This gentleman was in the habit of receiving drafts from the Colonial Bank at Barbadoes, and occasionally gave them to law to sell. In this way the latter procured a considerable advantage, as the sequel will show. Having very quietly established a reputation for himself among a dozen or so of the most influential bankers in Wall street and Exchange place, he commenced active opera-tions by forging a letter from a mercantile house in Barbedoes to himself, advising him of the remittance of a large sum of money in Colonial Bank bills on London. With this letter, and a number of forged bills of exchange, be proceeded to the counting room of a well known Ger man banker in Exchange place, and entered into negotiathe sale of the paper. The German banker enapped at the bait immediately, and was induced to endorse to the amount of £3,000. Iaw next paid a visit to Hanover street, and there defrauded a well known banking house out of £6,000 in a similar manner. Thus currency was given to the others, and the schemer was enabled to dispose of the cutire batch without the slightest suspicion being entertained as to the genuineness of the

THE FORGERIES. The first sales of these forged drafts took place on the 7th of January, the second on the 10th of the same month, and the balance between the 10th and 27th. Law was cunning enough not to present the purchasers with first and second bills at the same time, for fear they might de teet some difference in the filling up and signing of the same. When asked for the seconds he would reply that they were on the way from Havana, but would hardly be here in time to forward with the firsts. He invariably delivered the seconds, but not until after the firsts had been despatched to Europe and the danger of detection was past. This fact at first led to the supposition that the fills were not forged at all, but that the regue had sent forward the thirds for collection, and had afterwards dis-posed of the firsts and seconds. The bills purported to signed by Mr. Murray, manager, and Mr. Wild, acpuntant. The latter gentleman, it appears, had not been Barbadoes since July, 1858, and could not, therefore, as har badoes since July, 1858, and could not, therefore, have attached his signature to the papers. This blunder on the part of the forger shows evidently that he was not well posted about what was transpiring in the West Indies. It is somewhat singuiar that the error was not discovered in this city. If it had been but little of the forged paper could have been negotiated, and probably Mr. Law would now be a prisoner in the Tombs, instead of figuring at some fashionable watering place in Europe. The signatures to the drafts were imitations of the genuine, but poorly executed. The first batch of bills received in London were dated Barbadoes, Dec. 7, and the second on Dec. 11, 1858.

LAW'S PREPARATIONS FOR FLIGHT.

The proceeds of the forgeries, amounting in the aggregate to about \$17,000, were deposited in the St. Nicholas Bank, and Law commenced to make arrangements for his slight. He had sent his was encumbered in no way by any domestic care. Leaving his ledgings at the St. Benis Hole of the St. St. Denis Hole of the Sts. of Janary, for the estensible purpose of way by the St. Denis Hole of the Sts. of Janary, for the estensible purpose of which the street of the St. Denis Hole of the purpose of a street in Finladelphia, he departed from the purpose of rejoining his wife. He was highly educated, and a person of refined manned manned and the purpose of rejoining his wife. He was highly educated, and a person of refined manned manned and consider the purpose of rejoining his wife. He was highly educated, and a person of refined manned manned when each seat of the forger, but without stancess. On aquiring at his office in Bawver street, the victimized bankers were told that he had good to Philadelphia and was not expected back for several days. Law had left word with the clerk to that effect, but when the latter heard of the forgeries he gave it as his opinion that his employer had sailed for Europe. Upon inquiring at the St. Denis Hotel they were told the same story. He had left New York two days before the fraud was detected, and consequently had such a start that any attempt on their part to overtake the fugitive would prove fruitses. At the St. Nicholas Bank the victims learned that Law had closed his account with that institution, and had drawn out about \$65,000 in gold. During the month of Janasay his deposits were so heavy as to attract the attention of the officers of the bank, but they never for a amoment suspected that anything was wrong. Even when the depositor drew out of the St. Nicholas Bank the victims learned that Law houses; was not shaked in the least, and it was not about the wind and the process of the stant of t

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While looking over the last of passengers that were about to sail for Liverpool in the Asia, the attention of one of the officers was directed to the name of Leonine Bruner. Now Leonine was bound for Bremen, the residence of Mrs. Law. The detective suspected that she might be a measonger of Law's, and accordingly notified the Bremen police of his suspicions. Upon her arrival at Bremen Leonine was arrested and brought before a magistrate, when she confessed that her name was not Bruner, but Biermann, and that her father lived in New York. She acknowledged that she had been sent to comfort Mrs. Law, but declared she knew nothing concerning the wherefounts of the lady's hasband. Upon the receipt of this information the detectives in this city set themselves to work to find out the residence of Loonine's lather. After searching two entire days they found Biermann at his residence in Yorkville. They watched his closely for two weeks, and at last concluded to arrest him on suspicion of being one of Law's confaderates.

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Biermann denied all knowledge of Law at first, but he subsequently admitted that he and his daughter accompanied the fugitive to Brooklyn on the day of his leaving the St. Denis Hotel: that they there met Captain Petrans, of the schooner Kinglisher, who took Law on board his vessel, and immediately set sail for Malaga. Biermann further stated that the Kinglisher belonged to Law; that is had been purchased by a man named Picetiner with Law's money, and that the Sum of \$4,000 had been paid for the vessel. Here, then, was a clue to work on. Search was immediately instituted for Picetiner, but the officers failed to find him in the store when they called. A watch was then set upon the premises, which finally resulted in the gentleman's being arrested one morning as he was coming out of the store. From a letter found in the possession of Biermann, the officers were convinced that Picetiner was deeply implicated with Law, and they made a complaint against him accordingly. The letter in question was written by Law himself, and afforded the clearest evidence of Picetner's completity in the matter. It read as follows:—

LAW'S LETTER TO REBELLINE.

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NEW YORK, February, 1859.
Before leaving this city I see mysoif compelled, by the
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It has been fully published in the daily papers that a considerable forgery is laid to my charge. Fully aware of the awful consequence of the act, I cannot help to believe that in the sequel everybody will blame me less than the said El. Plocttaer, who has betrayed the trust I placed in him, after I had deposited with him the whole amount of money I realized by the forgery.

On the 28th of January, finding it impossible to withdraw a large amount of gold from the banks, I went to Mr. El. Plocttaer's cavene A. corner of Third street, and I confided to him the whole of my case. He willingly agreed to hid me for a few days, and to receive all the money I could realize for safe keeping. He consequently came to my office on the same day (which fortunately for me can be corroborated by witnesses, of which I was not aware even myself, and I handed to him forthwith five thousand dollars in American gold coin, and ten rouleaux, each containing 100 sovereigns. The following day he came again and carried off six thousand dollars in American gold, telling me that he had lost one rouleau with 100 sovereigns, and at the same time offered to make good the loss, which I rectused, folly believing in his honesty; but he acknowledged having received in all eleven thousand dollars, and nine rouleaux, which he knew contained 100 sovereigns cach, and which I particularly impressed upon him to keep intact, as I intended this English coin to I facilitate my final escape. Having thus placed into Ploettner's hands all flad, we agreed that we should meet again in the afternoon of Saturday, the 28th January, to determine where I could conceal myself; but Ploettner and the promised the received him to honesty, as he repeatedly acknowledged to have the \$1

HENRY LAW. PROCEEDINGS AT THE POLICE COURT.

Ploettner and Bier mann were brought before Justice Connolly at the lower Police Court, where they waived an examination and were thereupon held to bail to answer the charge preferred against them. The prisoners both gave the required bail and were released from custody, but were immediately arrested on a civil suit and lodged in Eddridge street jail. Ploettner's bail in the civil suit was fixed at Ploettner's bail in the civil suit was fixed at Sa0,000; and not being able to procure the necessary security, he had to content himself with prison fare for several months. Many were the inducements held out to the prisoner to disgorge, but he steadfastly denied having any of Law's money in his possession. When it was known that the fugitive had gone to Malaga the police desisted from all further efforts to reach him, there being no treaty between this country and Spain relative to the extradition of criminals; but they determined to keep a bright look out for the return of Captain Petraus and the schooner Kingfisher.

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About four months after the arrest and incarceration of Biermann and Picetiner the Kingdisher returned to this port. After having safely landed Mr. Law at Malaga she took in a cargo of wine and set sail for New York, tooching at Aux Cayes on her way. The detectives went on board of her at Fier No 6 North river, and inquired for Captain Petraus, when one of the sailors informed them that be had just gone ashore. They then laid a plan for his arrest, which was carried into effect in a somewhat ingolicous manner. Detective Sampson pretended that he was an invalid in need of a sea voyage for the benefit of his health, and asked one of the sailors if he thought he could engage a passage. The sailor, not suspecting for a moment that he was talking to a policeman, freely entered into conversation, and in the course of his remarks alluded to the fugitive, Law. While conversing together the Captain came on board, and was introduced to the party. The invalid asked the price of a passage from New York to the West Indies and back, when Captain Petraus informed him that he thought the thing could be done for \$150. Aftar some further talk Sampson thought it was high time to throw off the sask, so calling upon Mesers. Ievoe and Smith, who were in readness upon the dock, he took the Captain into custody. Petraus was brought before Justice Connolly and held to bail.

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The day after Petraus' arrest the Kingdsher was seized by the police on behalf of Von Hoffman & Co. The captive gave up all claim to the vessel, by advice of his coupsel, and assigned the property over to the claimants, in whose possession it now remains. Petraus stated that law made him a present of the vessel for his success in landing the fugitive safely in Spain. The Kingdsher is a very fast salling vessel, and is one of those rakish-looking crafts so suggestive of the Congo river and the slave trade.

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LAW IN EUROPE—THE TURKISH PORGERIES, After landing at Malaga, Law journeyed to Madrid, where he spent several weeks, and then started for Constantinople and Alexandria. It is supposed that his business in Constantinople was connected with extensive forgeries upon the Turkish government. An American woman, it will be recollected, was arrested by the authorities of Constantinople, having in her possession a large amount of forged piastres, which it appeared had been executed in New York and sent to Europe for circulation. Now, from certain information in the possession of the detectives in this city, it is believed that Law was as the bottom of the Turkish forgeries. At Constantinople he visited the American woman referred to, rendered her important pecuniary aid, and used every means in his power to procure her release. Law's visit to Constantinople in connection with some disclosures recently made in New York, seems to fasten upon him the crime of hatching the Turkish forgeries also. From Turkey Law went into Egypt, where the police lost all trace of him. Where he is now is a matter of guesswork. He has never seen his wife since she left New York, and the poor creature is almost broken hearted at the sognation. Mrs. Law is restoning with her mother, a lady of considerable property. They are now living in the outskirts of Bremen, but intend, it is said, emigrating to this country at no distant day.

RARROAD ACTIDENT.—The Chattanooga, Tenn., Gasetic, of the 10th inst, says:—We learn from a gentleman who was on the cars at the time that the cross-ties gave way on the East Tennessee and Virginia Railroad, about one mile east of Strawberry Plains, on the Strices, that the train tumbled over off the embankment to the ground—a distance of thirty or forty feet. There were saxly or seventy passengers on board, and there were only about half a dozon who escaped unipjured. When he left no one had died, and be thought it probable that all might recover. Some escaped with but slight bruises, while others hat their limbs broken, and some were badly burned by the stoves. One old gentleman from New York city was seriously injured.

Religious Intelligence.
CITY CHURCHES.

All the Episcopal and Catholic churches in this city will All the expectors and cannon courses in this case, was be handsomely decorated to day with myrtle, fir and hemilock boughs and evergreen vines, and the usual interesting and impressive services in commemoration of the advent of our Saviour will take place. In the Catholic churches high mass will be celebrated before daylight in in accordance with long established custom in most of

the Methodist churches, prayer and experience meetings

will be held in the morning.

The Very Rev. Dr. Cabili will preach a charity sermon this morning, at half-past ten o'clock, in St. Patrick's cathedral. The collection will be for the benefit of the

At the Bleecker street Universalist church, corner of Downing, a sermon appropriate to Christmas will be given by Rev. Moses Ballou, this evening, at 7½ o'clock. Morn-

ng service at 10% o'clock. Rev. S. Remington, pastor of the Mount Olivet Baptist church, corner of Sixth avenue and Forty-first street, will preach in said place this morning, at 10% o'clock, and in the evening at seven o'clock. Prayer and conference

meeting at three o'clock P. M.

The Rev. E. F. Remington will preach in Calvary free church, in Pearl street, between Concord and Nassau streets, Brooklyn, this evening, December 25. Subject—"Isalah, chapter lit, verses 1, 2 and 3." Services commence at half past seven o'clock. In the morning at half-

In the Twentieth street Universalist church, between In the Twentoth street Universalis Charter, Seventh and Eighth avenues, Rev. Eibridge 6. Brooks, pastor, services this morning, at half-past ten o'clock. A Christmas sermon. Subject—"The Nature and issues of Christ's work." In the afternoon, at three o'clock, the first

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In the Third Unitarian Society, corner of Broadway and Thirty-second street, Rev. O. B. Frothingham, services Sundays, morning and evening, at the usual hours.

"The Prophecy of Jehn iss Own Interpreter."—A lecture will be delivered by Mr. John Cochran in Goldbeck's Music Hall, 765 Broadway, this afternoon, at three o'clock, proving the Eevelation of John to be a double prophecy, to a great extent interpreting itself.

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In the Cherry street Methodist Episcopal church, Cherry street, near Clinton street, Rev. J. S. Inskip will preach at 10% A. M. Subject\_"Glory to God in the highest\_Peace on Farth and Good Will toward Men." And at 7 P. M.,

subject, "When the Son of Man shall Come in his Glory."
In the First Independent Society, Hope chapel, 720
Broadway, at 10½ A. M., Rev. George F. Noyes will discourse on "The relation of Jesus to America;" at 7½ P.
M., the last Palestine lecture. Subject—"Calvary and the Holy Sepulchre." In the Northwest Presbyterian church, Fiftieth street,

near Eighth avenue, the pastor, Rov. L. H. Van Dorin, is expected to preach a Christmas sermon in the morning, and at night at 7 o'clock, commencing a series of lectures to the young people.

Dr. Armitage, pastor of the Norfolk street Baptist church, will preach this afternoon at 3 o'clock in Union chapel, corner of Broadway and Tairty ninth street.

In the Protestant Episcopal Mission church, Clinton Hall, Astor Place, in charge of the Rev. Robert G. Dickson, divine service to-day at 10% A. M., and 3% and 7%

The Cooper Institute Union services will continue to-day. Rev. Mathew Hale Smith will preach in the great hall at 10½ A. M. and 3 P. M. Afternoon, specially to young men; subject, "Christ the Messiah." Rev. Nicholas Murray, D. D., will preach at 7½ P. M.
Rev. Joseph Sanderson will preach in the chapel of the
Home for the Friendless, 29 East Twenty-ninth street,
between Fourth and Madison avenues, this evening at
half-past seven o'clock, and at 10½ A. M. and 3 P. M., in

nair-past seven o clock, and at 10½ A. M. and 3 P. M., in his church, corner of Stanton and Forsyth atreets. The Rev. J. H. Hopkins, Jr., will preach this evening in the Memorial church, corner of Hammond street and Waverley place. Services at half-past ten, three and half-

past seven o'clock.
The Second Universalist church, Historical Library building, corner Second avenue and Eleventh street. Dr. Sawyer, pastor, will hold services at 10% A. M., and 7%

P. M. Subject for the morning, "Birth of Christ," for the evening, "The Hell of the Old Testament."

In St. Stephen's church, corner of Broome and Chrystie streets, services to-day at 10½ and 3½ o'clock. In the afternoon there will be prayers, an address, bread dis-tributed to the poor, a Christmas tree and presents to the

In St. Ann's church, Rev. Thomas Gallaudet, rector, Eghteenth street, near Fifth avenue, service for deaf mutes at 3 P. M.; for others willing to promote their wel-fare at 10 ½ A. M., and 7 ½ P. M. The Rev. J. A. Spencer

will preach in the evening.

The New Jerusalem church (Swedenborgian) will hold public worship this morning at Goldbeck's Music Hall, 765 Broadway, at 10% A. M. The Rev. Dr. McMenamy and the friends of truth, includ-

ing recent converts from Romanism, will meet in public conference the advocates of Roman doctrines, rites and ceremonies, in the new Metropolitan Assembly Rooms, 178 Prince street, this evening at half past seven o'clock. The Rev. Sydney A. Corey will preach to-day, at 1034 A. M., and at 734 P. M., in Trenor Hall, corner of Broadway and Thirty-fourth street. In the evening the second lecture in the series, on the "Young Men of the Bible," will be delivered.

beck's Music Hall, 765 Broadway, this o'clock. Subject—"The Christian Era."

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Rev. J. H. Thayer will be ordained as pastor of the Cromble street church and society in Salem, Mass., on Thursday next, 29th inst. The sermon will probably be preached by Prof. Phelps, of Andover.

Rev. Mr. Kirby, of Newark, has been called to the coarge of the Mechanic street M. E. church of Elizabeth, N. J., recently vacated by the resignation of Rev. J. F. Dodd.

RESIGNATIONS.

Rev. T. Starr King will soon tender a formal resignation of his position as pastor of the Hollis street church, in Boston.

Boston.

Rev. S. Russell Jones has resigned the rectorship of St. John's church, in North Adams, Mass., and accepted a call from St. James' church, in Groonfield, Mass.

BEATH IN THE MINISTRY.

Rev. John G. Mills. a well known induster of the Baptist church, died in Halfiax county, Vs., on the 11th inst.

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NEW CHURCHES.

Two Catholic churches in Cheinnati were dedicated on the 18th inst., under the immediate anaptices of the Meet Rev. Archibinop Purcell—the St. Francis of Sales, on Walnut Hills, and the St. Francis, on the corner of Vine and Liberty streets. The dedicatory services were participated in by large processions, which paraded the principal theroughfares across the canal, both before and after the ceremonies.

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MIRCELLANEOUS.

The Feclesiastical Council, called to consider the difficulties existing in the Plymouth Congregational church, Chelsea, Mass. of which the Rev. E. H. Nevins is pastor, gave their decision on Monday, the 19th inst. The report is to the effect that both Mr. Nevins and those differing with him have pursued a wrong course. The Council recommend a dissolution of the church, and that the church authorize the cierk to give letters missive to the members, to unite with any other churches they may desire. They recommend, as a matter of Christian liberality, without expressing their opinion as to the legality of the claim, the payment of the salary of Mr. Nevins up to the 15th of July iast, at the rate of \$1,500 per annum. If both parties adopt the decision of the Council, they further recommend the dismissal of Mr. Nevins, and in case he is dismissed, they commend him as an able and zoaious preacher of the Gospel, who may be fitted for usefurness in some other field of labor.

A chime of nine bells—the largest weighing nearly 1,700 lbs., and pitched upon F sharp, and the smallest weighing about 500 lbs.—has been procured by St. John's (R. C.) church, Newark, N. J., and is suspended in the zouth tower of the edilice.

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The Montreal Gazette, in giving an account of the execution of a man named Beauregard, in that city, on the 16th inst., for the murder of a farmer, says that the attendant minister requested the spectators to pray for the condemned. The vast multitude, with few exceptions, knut down and engaged in prayer, and for a time nothing was heard but the hum of many voices praying for Beauregard's soul.

gard's soul.

A very promising young minister has been discontinued from his connection with the Alabama Conference, because he professes to believe that the souls of the wicked are annihilated after death.

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According to the report of the Methodist Publishing House at Nashville, made at the last Mississippi Conference, held at Jackson, the assets amount to \$485,220 45; the liabilities, \$117,392 40, leaving a balance in favor of the House of \$317,592 40, leaving a balance in favor of the House of \$317,592 40, leaving a balance in favor of the House of \$317,592 40, leaving a balance in favor of the Bishop of British Columbia, in addition to appointing the Rev. John Garrett his general commissary in England, has requested the Rev. Henry Mackenzie, rector of Tydd St. Mary, and the Rev. Henry R. Neville, incumbent of Great Yarmouth, to act as his commissaries for selecting clergy for his distant diocess.

The Second Adventists have declared that we should not have even the present Christmas. They have been holding meetings in North Adams, Mass., every Sunday, and announced that the world would come to an end on the 2th inst.

At a prayer meeting held at Groton, Conn., one of the republicans prayed with great unction for the peace of John Brown's soil. After he had finished, a brother from the "other side of the house" offered up his petition to the Throne of Grace, in the course of which he prayed that all men might have together in the love of the Lord; that wars might cease, and that "swor's might be besten into pleaphshares, and spears into pruning hooks; more especially, O Lord, those twelve hundred pixes manufactured by that traiter to his country—Old John Brown."

BURANCE COMPANIES.—On Thursday afternoon last a meeting of delegates from several of the insurance companie ing of delegates from several of the insurance companies interested in the property of Mesars. Kent & Lowber was held at the rooms of the Resolute Insurance Company, in Nassau street. Representatives were present from the Continental, Home, Cora Exchange, Merchants' and Resolute companies. The object of the meeting, as given out, was "to express an opinion on the able and fearless manner in which the property of Messrs.

and fearless manner in which the property of Messrs. Kent & Lowber was protected by their employes from fire," but the real object appeared to be to express a favorable opinion in regard to the conduct of Messrs. Kent & Lowber. The meeting was intended to be secret, but our reporter was present. The press generally were furnished with what the meeting intended should be made public. This was an informat, unwritten resultion, setting forth that the "Companies, having examined into the causes of the recent sad calamity, exonerate Messrs. Kent & Lowber from all blame in the matter, those gentlemen having, in their opinion, taken what they deemed the proper precautions to prevent it."

The severe comments made by the press in general, and by the Hexard in particular, upon the conduct of all soncerned in the building, were the occasion of considerable discussion among the Bolons. An opinion was expressed by one of those present that if Messrs. Kent & Lowber were to address a note of explanation to the Hexard, "Bennett would receive it." The representative of the Resolute Insurance Company thought that such a note would be received, "provided it was backet by a hundred dollars." The immaculate individual did not say whether as a premium on the risk or not. At this stage of the discussion a reporter was announced, who, after some little debate, was a minted. He was furnished with the resolution above given, and some after took his leave. The meeting then adjourned.

Militant—Twelfirm Rasiment—The following orders were issued vesterday by Colonel Butterfield, command.

MILITARY-TWELFTH REGIMENT.-The following orders rere issued yesterday by Colonel Butterfield, comm

ing the Twenty-second, now Twelfth regiment, by orders from general headquarters.—

The designation of the Twenty-second regiment and district, Second brigade, First division, has been changed. Such regiment and district will be hereafter designated by the numeral 12.

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The Twelfth regiment will serve exclusively as light infantry, pursuant to "Hardee's" tactics.

There seems to be but one opinion among military men with regard to this command, and that is that it will be a success. They have always had excellent material in their ranks. They have now a young, efficient and popular commandant, possessing sufficient position and influence with his superior officers to place the regiment in a proper position in every respect. The prosperity which seems to await them will be a source of gratification to their hosts of friends.

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a regard to the Heenan and Sayres prize fight is that will take place on the 18th of March, or any time subse-quent to that date in the same month. THE CALEDONIAN CURLING CLUB.-The Caledonian Curling

Club of New York will play for their splendid silver medal, on the pond at Central Park, on Monday, the 26th inst. Playing to commence at nine o'clock.

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Affairs at Browssville—report came over to Brazos from Brownsville, that Cortinas had moved his camp from Rancho del Carmen to a point some twenty-seven miles further up the river, and that he there had been joined by some hundred men of Carvajal's command, recently raised in the vicinity of Monterey. Another report was in circulation that the invader, instead of going urther up the river, had crossed over into Mexico and there had been joined by Carvajal's command. No further attempts, at least, had been made upon Brownsville, where there were two commanies of United States Artiliery, under command of Captain Ricketts; one company of United States Cavalry, commanded by Major Heinzelman, of the Second regiment; Captain Tobin's company of Texan Rangers, and Captains Tambrisan's and Hampton's companies of Rangers. The three companies of Rangers number about 120 infantry and fifty cavalry, with two 24 pound howitzers.

DEATH OF A WITE RESULTING PRON JEALOUSY.—Coroner Fenner, on Saturday afternoon, held an inquest on the body of Elizabeth, wife of John Douglass, tailor, who died at No. 24 Quinco street. The testimony showed that the deceased was married to John Douglass in Irelant; about nine years, and that they have been in this country several years. That some months ago he became acquainted with Catharine Hart; a tailoress, and that he left his wife and went to live with hor in Camden. Subsequently he returned to his wife and they lived happily for a time. Five weeks ago he took rooms for himself and Catharine Hart at No. 244 Quince street, where he visited her, and where they were supposed to be man and wife. On Saturday night week he went to the house between 11 and 20 clook, and had not been there long before a knock was heard at the door. It was opened by Catharine Hart, when, to her surprise, Mrs. Douglass runded in in a state of excilement bordering upon frenzy, and asked where her husband was, saying that she hund seen him enter. In the confusion that ersued the fight was extinguish

Philadelphia Ledger, Dec. 22.

MANUFACTORY OF SHORS IN VINGINIA.—There is a project on foot for the establishment of a manufactory of shoes on a large scale in Virginia. The proprietors of the larger part of the lots and land at Chester, between Richmond and Fetersburg, offer to give to a company any amount of ground needed for their purposes, and to take a liberal share of the stock.

Not So.—The New York Herald, republishing an old piece of news about the ship Rebecca, which took out the McDonough liberated negrots to Liberia, having afterwards proceeded to the southwest coast of Africa, and there taken in a full carge of slaves, states that the Robecca was under charter from the Colouzation Society. This is not so, the society having nothing to do with the vessel.—Baltimore American, Dec. 22.

SHAME AND ATIMETED SCHOOL.—In September last a Mrs.

the vessel.—Balkimore Americans, Dec. 22.

Shame and Attenutes Sucide.—In September last a Mrs. Obdorne, of Madding, Wisconsin, left her husband and went to St. Louis with a man named Clark; the latter in a few menths abandened her. The husband heard of her being in want, and wrote her a letter offering to contribute to her relief, as he could not bear to know she was suffering for want of means. She refused the aid, and sought refuge in a den of abandoned women. On the 14th hast she received another letter from her husband, informing her that he would be in St. Louis that night, and, unwilling to meet him, she procured launanum and took it with the intent to destroy her life. Physicians, however, were called in, who rescued her from death.

Shallfox.—That terrible disease, smallpox, is raging with more or less severity in many of the cities and towns in the vicinity of Boston.

Glotester Trade with New York—The immense pro-

with more of less severity in many of the cities and towns in the vicinity of Boston.

GIOUCISTER TRADE WITH NEW YORK —The immense product of the Gloucester fisheries, amounting to some 150,000 quintals cod fish and 40,000 to 60,000 barrels of mackerel, annually finds its principal market at New York city. To transport this large quantity many vessels are constantly employed belonging to Gloucester, Salem, Harwich and Dennis. The Cape Cod vessels are largely engaged in this business, and a fiest of fine schoolware from Gloucester. The arrivals of vessels at New York from Gloucester annually, are nearly as many as arrive at Boston from Gloucester.

BUCHANAN REIME FURD.—Several years ago President Buchanan invested \$4,000, the interest of which is annually disbursed in the purchase of find for "poor and indigent females" in lancaster, Pa. The annual sistribution took place this week, and the Lancaster papers report a large number of worthy and deserving claimants

## FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

SATURDAY, Dec. 24-6 P. M. The bank statement, which was made up this day, instead of Monday (the latter being Christmas day), com-pares as follows with that of last week:—

 
 Week Ent'g
 Loans.
 Specie.
 Circul'n.
 Deposita.

 Dec. 24.
 124,977,375
 19,645,967
 8,383,026
 77,284,782

 Increase.
 1,073,798
 774,782
 84,003
 82,57
 Increase. 1,073,798 84,003 8,257
Decrease. 774,782 84,003
This movement, as usual, is in the wrong direction. At this season of the year the banks almost invariably expand, for the sake of earning dividends. There is no such healthy demand for money from the merchants as would justify an increase of loans; the movement is one that is predicated exclusively on the immediate interests of the

preciated excusively on the immediate interests of the banks, without regard to the future prosperity and soundness of trade. It is a dangerous habit, and one which, sooner or later, will bring trouble again.

There is no great change in money. In some quarters they report a more active demand, but we do not hear of any quotations above our last. Six on Wall street and seven for paper are the current rates. Nothing was done to day in cuchange for the Borecate. to-day in exchange for the Boston steamer of Wednesday. Importers seem willing to wait till Tuesday before buying their bills. There has been no steamer for Europe direct

The price on sight bills on New York at the cities menoned is as follows, the price being expressed in the cur-

rency of the cities where the bills are drawn:— Chicago
St. LOUIS
Cincinnati
Philadelphia par a 1.10
Boston
Baltimore
Charleston
Savannah
Mobile
New Orleans

There was a further advance in stocks at this morning's board. Many brokers were forced to enter the market in order to make purchases for delivery, the holiday crowding the business of three days into one. After the first board stocks were quieter. Between the boards the market was steady. In the afternoon there was a moderate business done, and the market closed steady. New York Central was very active this morning, and advanced to 70%, as against 76% at the close yesterday; in the afternoon it sold at 76%, closing that bid. Galena, which has been freely sold short, was also put up by the purchases a \$16 25; prime do. \$11 62½ a \$11 75 per bbl. of the bears; it sold at 66%, closing 66% bid. Rock

island was also % per cent better, and most other descriptions participated in the advance. State stocks were descriptions participated in the advance. State stocks were neglected; but the price continues firm. The indications are that when Congress organizes and the political business of the country begins to work smoothly, a more active time in Wall street may be expected. The following were the last quotations to day:—Missouri 6's, 89% a 26; Virginias, 94 a 36; Canton, 163% a 17; Cumberland Coal preferred 123% a 123%; Pacific Mail Steamship, 763% a 36; New York Central, 763% a 36; Eric, 83% a 36; Hudson River, 41% a 36; Harlem, 83% a 9; do. preferred, 34 a 36; Reading, 41% a 36; Michigan Central, 39% a 36; Michigan Southern and N. Indiana, 63% a 36; do. guaranteed, 17 a 46; Panama, ax Indiana, 6½ a ½; do. guaranteed, 17 a ½; Panama, ex dividend, 127½ a 128½; Illinois Central, 58½ a ½; Galena and Chicago, 66½ a ½; Cleveland and Toledo, 19½ a ½; Chicago and Rock Island, 63½ a ½. It was understood that the Sub Treasurer was to further than 1950 and 1950 an

nish the press, as usual, this afternoon, with the amount deposited with him as earnest money on bids for the \$3,000,000 of treasury notes to be awarded at Washington on Tuesday. On application, however, at four P. M., the hour fixed, it was stated that the Sub Treasurer would not mention the amount deposited. The probability is that the amount was so small that he did not wish it to be known. The negotiation has apparently failed from the unralifulness of the Secretary, Mr. Cobb.

The steamship Baltis arrived to day, with \$1,400,004. nish the press, as usual, this afternoon, with the amoun

The steamship Baltic arrived to-day, with \$1,408,234 in

specie on freight from Aspinwall.

The following was the business of the Sub-Treasury to

Treasury notes received for customs during the week. 33,694 66

The exchanges at the Bank Clearing House this morning were \$20,496,498 84, and the batances \$998,500 26.

The following dividends have been declared:—The Atlantic Bank, Brooklyn, a semi annual dividend of five per cent, payable January 3; the Long Island Insurance Com-pany, a semi-annual dividend of ten per cent, payable annual dividend of six per cent, payable on and after the

3d of January.

The Boston Traveller states that Edward Chamberlain, proprietor of the Boston Chemical Works, has suspended ayment.

The following are the receipts of the Galena and Chicago road the third week of December:—

1859. \$16,065 1858. 19,989 We take the following statement of the movement of the attractic coal trade from to-day's Philadelphia Ledger:— The anthractic coal trade is over by the canals, and as some of the railroads are on a new fiscal year, while others continue their aggregate tonnage to the end of the calendar year, we find it impracticable to present a comparative table. We here give the figures of tonnage from the several anthractic regions, as compared with last year—1859.

Tons. Tons. Increase. Reading Railroad......1,633,150 1,542,640 1,323,808 Increase. 90,505 47,285 2,866,448 900,000 471,000 137,890 150,000 106,621 256,621

1,380,030 348,781 630,066 242,070 58,799 The following is the amount of coal transported on the

Philadelphia and Reading Railroad during the week ending Thursday, Dec. 22, 1859:-From Port Carbon.....

Pottsville	2,423 09
Pottsville	16,122 12
Auburn	1,600 03
Port Clinton	3,990 13

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	Stock Exchange.					
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	3000 1	aC&Mil 1 g bds	14	200	do860	4
		ErickW2d m b	69		ich Cen RR	31
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38		& Hud Cl Co.	94	400	do860	13
	100	do60	94	50	do b10	
		Mail S & Co	7636		Cen RRb20	5
	150	do	76%	14	do	5
83	100	dob30	7636	100	do830	5
		Cent RR. b7	7656	50	do	5
97	595	do	76%	50	dob30	5
	300	dob10	76%		al & Chi RR	6
	250	do b30	78%	350	dob10	6
	250	do b60	76%	150	do	6
	300	dob30	76%	50	dob10	6
	50	dos10	76%	200	dob30	6
	500	do#80	7634	300 C	lev & Tol RR	1
	100	dob15	76%	200	dob30	1
3	1150	do830	76%		hi & Rk Isl RR.	6
	1300	do860	7636	50	dob60	6
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	400	do	76%	50	doc	6
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Total . . . . . . \$124,977,375 19,645,967 8,309,028 77,294,732

CITY COMMERCIAL REPORT. Flour-Sales have been made of 8,000 bbls. State and

Western, 1,200 bbls. Southern, and 300 bbls. Canada.
Prices of low medium qualities have improved slightly.
Wheat—Sales: 4,700 bushels at \$1 20 for Milwaukee club, and \$1 50 for Michigan white.

Corn—Sales: 18,000 bushels at 83c. a 87c. for new crop Jersey and Southern white and yellow. Rye, barley and oats have been quiet. Ashes-Sales: 65 bbls. at steady rates. .

Cotton—Sales have been moderate at unaltered figures. Provisions have been in démand. Mess pork, \$16 12½ Whiskey-Sales: 300 bbls. at 27c. per gallon,

MARITIME INTELLIGRACE

THE HAVANA AND NEW ORLEANS STRAME
EMPIRE CITY—From New York 24, serving at Have
and New Orleans 10th. From New Orleans 20th, Have
arriving at New York 20th.
CAHAWSA—From New York 12th, arriving at Have
and New Orleans 10th. Prom New Arriving at Have

Port of New York, December 34, 1859.

CLEARED. ell & Co.

Eloise, Thompson, Liverocol—M L Bowns. Macaulay, Eodgers, New Orleans—N H Bris Plonser, Childs, Charleston. Northern Light (Br), Esdals, Demarara—St

Billow, Hünter, Hahles—D B Dewon. Bonth, Stickney, Galveston—D C Murray, Defiance, Boynkon, Aux Cayes—Kunbardt & C B R Waring, Shiveral, Antigus. Prince of Wales (Br), Burges, Turks Islas olf.

r Syringbok, King, Matanzas—C & E J Peters.

r Mary Brewer, Low, Manandilla—Brett, Son & Co.

r Wentworth (Br.), Hunter, Windsor—C A Dewolf.

r Margaret (Br.), Everett, 8 J John—P I Nevius & S.

r Col Lester, Delanoy, New Orleans—Van Br

L Dupont, Corson, Penascola—Van Brunt & Slag as Fachastress, Lynch, Savannah. M Fillmore, Davis, Charleston—Werrill & Abbott. E C Feller, Arnold, Charleston—W B Scranton. Een, Lynch, Wilmington—E B Powell. E Mayo, Mayo, Wilmington—R P Buck & Co. Mahlon Bests, Thompson, Wilmington, NC—McCre

Schr Mahlon Betts, Thompson, Wilmington, MC-McMott & Co.
Schr J Smith, Dayton, Wilmington-J Smith & Co.
Schr Gallego, Smith, Richmond-C H Pierson.
Schr Maria Jane, Jones, Petersburg-Van Brunt & Schr Davidson, Ryder, Norfolb-M Pedell.
Schr Juliet, Chase, Philadelphia—J Hand.
Schr Juliet, Chase, Philadelphia—J Hand.
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Sloop Southport, Gladwin, New Haven,
Reamer Boston, Sellew, Philadelphia; ARRIVED.

thip Baltic, Gray, Aspinwall, Dec 17, with species irs, to W H Wichham, hip Ariel, Miner, Aspinwall, Dec 18, with passeng

Sicanism passengers to W h. Biner, a. Beamship Ariel, Miner, a. to D B Allen. Steamship Mount Vernon, Smita, Steamship Mount Vernon, Smita, Steamship Mount Vernon, Swita, and Parkersburg, Fowell, and Parkersburg, Fowell, and Parkersburg, Fowell, S. Gromwell, S. Gro The ship Neptune, arrived last night from Liver passengers, all well: no deaths. Reports—Orome in lat 45, and has been 5 days W of Nantucket H Wm Balch, of Germany, seaman, fell from the ji board and was lost.

BELOW.

Bark Penguin, Wheeler, from Amoy Aug 16, Straits of 8:
a Sept 29.
Bark James Smith, Mason, from Malaga.
Also, one ship, at anchor on the bar.

BAILED.

Bicamships Augusta, Bavannah; Nashville, Charleston; Moriticello, Washington &c. Jamestowa, Norfolk &c; ships Roben London; Far West, New Orleana. Wind during the day NW.

Telegraph Marine Report.
FORT LAFA's ETTE, Dec 24, supset—Steamables August
or favannah; Nashville, for Charleston, and Jameslown, f
vorfolk, passed down at 3:50 PM. Wind NW, frash; weath SANDY HOOK, Dec 24, sunset—Bark Penguin, from Ame passing in the Hook in tow; another bark (no signal) going t the bay in tow. Ships Robens, for London, and Far West, if New Orleans, passed out over the bar at 1 PM. Wind No fresh; weather hazy and cold.

HIGHLANDS, Dec 24, squast—One ship owtside the bar gnal), bound in. Wind NW, fresh, with snow squalls. Miscellaneous.

The steamer Pernano was launched from the Westerv shipyard yesterday morning, 24th inst, at 9½ o'clock. She intended for the passenger and freight trade on the South Amrican coasi, and was built under the superintendence of Ca Wm Skiddy for Mr Chas L Dimon, of this city. Length on de 182 feet, beam 50 feet, depth of hold 11 feet; about 570 tons gister. The engines are being constructed by the Morgan

SHIP PRINCESS, Bearse, from Philadelphia for San Franci out into Valparaiso 18th ult in distress. No particulars. SCHR J A HORTON-Newport. Dec 24—The schr J A Horto Preeman, from Boston for Tangier while at anchor in the h bor with a light in her rigging, was run into by schr Sarah Jar from Providence, and had all its

Freeman, from Boston for Tangier, while as anchor is the hor with a light in her rigging, was run into by set Parah Jar from Provisione, and had all the standshoom on the larbos bow, as far af as the fore rigging proken close to the dec two chain plates carried away, and austained other dama? The Sarah Jane had her beadgers, 20, carried away. (By te graph)

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ASPINWALL, Dec 9—Arr bark Roman, Baltimore (so rep ed). Sid 7th, brig Lillian, Balte, Roccuetts, Dec 7—In port back Amanda, for NYork Mg f Fr brig Nerdinand, for Philadelphia and Boston, to sail in first fortsight of January. Sid no date, Fr bark Juliet, Ph deliphia and Boston.

Fr brig Ferdinand, for Philadelphia and Beston, to all in first fortsight of January. Bid no date, Fr bark Juliet, Ph delphia and Boston.

Hortsman, Jose — In port ship Leilis, Haines, for Bamore, Idg; Arnold Boninger (Frun), Hashagen, for Nork Riga, Frecto, for do do; Alexandrine, Titomb, for Norks do; brigs Vasco de Gama (Dutch), BeGroot, for Boston Twee Vrienden (Dutch), Meyer, for Philadelphia do.

Toulow, Dec 1—éld ship White Falcon, Drummond, Mac Toulow, Dec 1—éld ship White Falcon, Drummond, Mac Hannes, Berta, Marchean Perta.

ALEXANDRIA, Dec 23—All steamship Mount Verr Smith, Nyork; schr a Falkenburg, Rogers, do BORTON, Dec 23—Arr barks Andrew Carney, Brassyrna; Trovatera, Carver, Marcaelles; Caroline Ellema, Iems, and Harrset Hazeline. Drinkwater, New Orleans; A Hammond, Philadelphia, brigs R W Facker, Lee, Cape Hen; Lorana, Gibbs, Remedies; schra Feseless, Adams, Jest, Lorana, Gibbs, Remedies; schra Feseless, Adams, Philadelphia; Electric, Howes Madris, H. A. Rogers, Rog Philadelphia; Electric, Howes Madris, H. A. Rogers, Rog Philadelphia; Electric, Howes Madris, H. A. Rogers, Rog Philadelphia; Bectric, Howes Madris, H. A. Rogers, Rog Philadelphia; Bettin Horlings, Claiseamer Kensinston. Baker, Ladelphia; ship Middlescx, Parmelles Nurleans, bark Brilli Sigabes, do. brigs G I. Brocham, Leiston, and Ben Dunning, Rudowa.

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GLOUCESTER, Dec 23—Arrash: Amanda, Knowiton, Reland for Nork. Bld bark Sam Shepherd (from Boston). cases:

NEW ORLEANS, Dec 24—Arr (by tel) ships M R Lud London: Columbia, Marseilles.

NEWARK, Pec 23—Arrash: Elizabeth, Brooklys: sid Howard, do: Bronx. West Fatus; Sarah Elizabeth, Nfork. NEW HAVEN, Dec 23—Arrasho; Barketh, Nfork. New Home, Dec 24—Arrasho; Barketh, Nfork. New Haven, Dec 24—Arrasho; Barketh, Port Lod Callao or Tulum; Go 25, Norwood, Barstow, Hong Kong, Barketh, Port Lod Callao or Tulum; Go 25, Norwood, Barstow, Hong Kong, Madson; Ham birg Goo Krell, Bauhn, Literproit; Tith, steahip Sonora, Baby, Panams; Ham huke Zengol; Tith, steahip Sonora, Baby, Panams; Ham huke Zengol; Tith, steahip Sonora, Baby, Panams; Ham huke Zengol; Tith, Sanding; Bulleth, Sonora, Barketh, Sanding; Barketh, Sanding; Barketh, Sanding; Barketh, Sanding; Barketh, Sanding; Barketh, Sanding; Barketh, Panama; Harketh, Panama; Harketh, Panama; Live Sike, Barketh, Panama; Live Sike, Barketh, Panama; Live Sike, Barketh, Panama; Alanding, Barketh, Panawaran, Panama; Janama; Janama; Barketh, Panama; Barketh, Panam

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